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Servants Versus Domestic.

The weakness of indulging in magnificent language, says the Baltimore American, seems crowding upon society daily. The old fashioned and purely Saxon words which were in use half a century ago are gradually dying out, and their place is being usurped by a class which, although resonant, lack simplicity and have a very artificial and turgid air. It is hardly possible now to travel through any part of the country and find a village and home of pastoral peace and innocence which poets so much love to describe. Instead of "Sweet Auburn, loveliest village of the plain," we have cities innumerable, even if they should be beyond the confines of civilization and composed of a few tumble down shanties and a grocery store. The old taverns, which are associated with ease and comfort, have given place to hotels, and our diners, even if composed of herbs and cold meats, are dignified by the name of banquet. We do not live at a house now, but at a residence; there are no cottages in existence, only villas, and when we invite a few friends to them we do not give a party but a reception. Hair dressers and tailors are artists; dressmakers are modistes; the leader of a rural band of music is a professor; the most obscure theatre is an opera house; a patent medicine man is a doctor, and the man in charge of a canal boat is a captain. This weakness is now beginning to show itself further. There are no servants now, only domestics, although we had fondly hoped that the failing for using this word was confined principally to that class who seem to think that true dignity no longer attaches itself to labor, and who consider that the term servant is a stigma and a disgrace. But in the October number of the Atlantic Monthly a contributor gravely argues that we stigmatize our domestics "by an epithet which I hope most Americans take very unwillingly upon their lips, and seldom without a sense of its cruelty. I mean the word servant." And then he urges that we should call our housemaids and cooks domestics, after the example of "the non-brutal nations, the French and Italians," instead of following "the brutal English and German fashion." Now, in the first place there is probably no country in the world where such a strong bond of union exists between masters and mistresses and their servants as in England, nor where the latter are treated with more respect and remain longer in one individual service. And it does seem as if the fashion of using some high sounding name to cover their business accounts for many of the household troubles which are experienced in many families, and the worry, vexation and tyranny which so often make home life a burden, and force men and women to hotels and boarding houses. Besides this, the word domestic is misused, it being in the proper sense an adjective, while the term servant has antiquity to recommend it, and throughout the Bible we find that patriarchs and prophets conceived no higher honor than to be called servants. No man ever honors himself by having his occupation plainly stated, instead of being thinly disguised behind, in a more sounding and meaningless title. There is no cruelty attached to such fashion. The real cruelty consists in spreading and fostering the idea that it is a disgrace to be called a servant, instead of teaching that our republic fully recognizes the dignity of labor, no matter what occupation a man or woman may follow.

The Crushed Tragedian.

There was another large crush of spectators yesterday in Supreme Court, Chambers, attracted there in the expectation that Count Joannes' application for an injunction restraining Mr. Southern from playing the "Crushed Tragedian" at the Park Theatre would come up for argument. George, the Count, was among the earliest to arrive. He remained the seat at the lawyers' table occupied by him on the previous day, but showing evidently a more intense eagerness for the fray. With difficulty he restrained his impatience during the argument of motions preceding his, but at length his case was called.

"George the Count Joannes vs. Edward A. Southern," called out Judge Barrett, though with a plurality of those indicating nothing remarkable in the underlying issues.

"Ready," exclaimed the Count. "I move for an adjournment, if Your Honor please," said Mr. Felt, counsel for Mr. Southern.

"Indeed! indeed! ask an adjournment when I am compelled to submit to injustice nightly at the hands of Mr. Southern," remarked the Count, contempt, defiance, rage, irony and pity being all strangely blended in his semi tragic tones.

"I only received the papers last Thursday evening," Mr. Felt proceeded to state, without any interruption, "the complaint covers sixty-six pages, and winds up with a modest demand for \$50,000 damages. I have not had time yet to see Mr. Southern and consult him in the matter."

"I do not want to have my intellect interfered with by such an argument to-morrow or there will be a 'Southern' burrah in the Park Abbey," said the Count, intently. "However, as a grace, I will give until Friday. He defies and resents me every night, to my disgrace. I ask for this injunction not as a tragedian only, but as a counsellor of the Supreme Court. Nine or ten different persons said to me on Broadway to-day, 'There is the Crushed Tragedian.' One man I knocked down another man's hat. In his papers to-day Mr. Southern backs down, and instead of 'Mr. Southern' he has it, 'A play actor will represent the Crushed Tragedian.'"

"I'll hear the case on Thursday," interrupted Judge Barrett. "At what hour, Your Honor?" asked the Count.

"I am content," said the Count. "Thus ended the case for the day. The Count hastily gathered up his papers and left the court room, followed by the large throng of spectators, many still holding to their belief that the so called Count was in reality Mr. Southern. N. Y. Herald.

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